
HOUSE BILL No. 1179

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 14-16-1.

Synopsis: Off-road vehicles. Requires that an off-road vehicle (vehicle) must be registered with the department of natural resources (department) in order to be operated. Revises the registration procedure. Makes it a Class C infraction to operate a vehicle without the identification numbers issued by the department attached to the vehicle, with certain exceptions.

Effective: July 1, 2003.

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January 8, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Roads and Transportation.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2002 Regular or Special Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning natural and cultural resources.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 14-16-1-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 8. (a) ~~Except as~~
3 ~~otherwise provided, an off-road~~ A vehicle may not be operated on
4 ~~public property~~ unless registered as set forth in section 9 of this
5 ~~chapter.~~
6 (b) ~~Registration is not required for a vehicle that is exclusively~~
7 ~~operated in a special event of limited duration that is conducted~~
8 ~~according to a prearranged schedule under a permit from the~~
9 ~~governmental unit having jurisdiction.~~
10 SECTION 2. IC 14-16-1-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
11 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 9. (a) The owner of
12 each vehicle required to be registered under this chapter must do the
13 following:
14 (1) File an application for registration with the department on
15 forms provided by the department.
16 (2) Sign the application.
17 (3) **If purchased after July 1, 2003, include a copy of the bill**



of sale.

(4) Include a signed affidavit in which the applicant swears or affirms that the information set forth in the application by the applicant is correct.

(5) Pay a fee of six dollars (\$6).

(b) Upon receipt of an application in approved form, the department shall enter the application upon the department's records and issue to the applicant a certificate of registration containing the following:

(1) The number awarded to the vehicle.

(2) The name and address of the owner.

(3) Other information that the department considers necessary.

(c) A certificate of registration must:

(1) be pocket size;

(2) accompany the vehicle; and

(3) be made available for inspection upon demand by a law enforcement officer.

SECTION 3. IC 14-16-1-20.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 20.5. An individual may not operate a vehicle without identification numbers attached on the vehicle as required under section 11 of this chapter except when:**

(1) the vehicle is being operated by a nonresident of Indiana as authorized under section 19 of this chapter;

(2) the vehicle is being operated for purposes of testing or demonstration with temporary placement of numbers as set forth in section 16 of this chapter; or

(3) the operator of the vehicle has in the operator's possession a bill of sale from a dealer or private individual that includes the following:

(A) The purchaser's name and address.

(B) A date of purchase that is not more than thirty-one (31) days preceding the date that the operator is required to show the bill of sale.

(C) The make, model, and vehicle number of the vehicle provided by the manufacturer as required by in section 13 of this chapter.

SECTION 4. IC 14-16-1-29, AS AMENDED BY P.L.158-2002, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 29. (a) A person who violates section 17, 23(2), or 24 of this chapter commits a Class B misdemeanor.**

(b) A person who violates section 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 18, 19, 20, 20.5, 21, 23(1), 23(3), 23(4), 23(5), 23(6), 23(7), 23(8), 23(9), 23(10),



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- 1 23(11), 23(12), 23(13), 23(14), or 27 of this chapter commits a Class
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